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TAGS: OREP (MURPHY, JOHN)

SUBJECT: CODEL MURPHY

REF: A) STATE 146902, B) LONDON 9349

1. EMBASSY HAS REVIEWED SCHEDULE CONTAINED REFTEL A WITH ALL PARTIES CONCERNED, INCLUDING CHARLES BEDELL, COMMITTEE MINORITY COUNSEL. FINAL SCHEDULE IS PROPOSED TAKING INTO ACCOUNT CODEL'S WISH TO VISIT STAVANGER. VISIT TO INVERNESS-NIGG BAY-ARDERSIER AREA IS NOT INCLUDED INASMUCH AS STEEL RIG CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AT HIGHLAND FABRICATORS (BROWN AND ROOT/WIMPEY) AND J. RAY MCDERMOTT HAVE JUST BEEN COMPLETED AND YARDS WILL BE EMPTY AT TIME OF CODEL VISIT.

2. SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

JUNE 27 AND 28:

AS CONFIRMED BY REFTEL A.

JUNE 29:

AM: OPEN

PM: MOTORCOACH TO ABERDEEN VIA METHIL STEEL CONSTRUCTION SITE.

JUNE 30:

AM: VISIT FISH MARKET AND MEET WITH ROBERT ALLEN OF

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SCOTTISH TRAWLER'S ASSOCIATION.

MEET WITH PROFESSOR GEORGE DUNNET, PROFESSOR OF  
NATURAL HISTORY, ABERDEEN UNIVERSITY.  
MEET WITH LORD PROVOST OF ABERDEEN.  
LUNCH WITH GRAMPIAN DISTRICT OFFICIALS.  
PM: TOUR OF ABERDEEN HARBOR.  
MEET WITH NESDA OFFICIALS.  
FILM AND DINNER WITH SCOTTISH OFFICE/HIGHLANDS AND  
ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT BOARD/BP.

JULY L:

AM: VISIT CRUDEN BAY AND PETERHEAD.  
L2:30 P.M. DEPART ABERDEEN FOR STAVANGER VIA AIR ANGLIA  
AQ 600.

2:00 P.M. ARRIVE STAVANGER.

JULY 2:

LL:00 A.M. DEPART STAVANGER VIA SKS 5L3.  
L2:40 P.M. ARRIVE HEATHROW.  
2:00-3:15 P.M. LUNCH.  
3:30-5:30 P.M. MEETINGS WITH DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
OFFICIALS.  
5:30-6:30 P.M. RECEPTION BY PARLIAMENTARY UNDER SECRETARY  
OF STATE FOR ENERGY JOHN SMITH (MEMBERS OF  
PARLIAMENT TO BE INVITED).  
6:45-7:30 P.M. RECEPTION FOR PENNSYLVANIA ACADEMY HOSTED  
BY AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON.

3. SPECIFIC COMMENTS KEYED TO REFTTEL A FOLLOW:

JUNE 29:

INFORMAL SOUNDING BY EMBASSY AS TO POSSIBLE CHANGES IN  
SUNDAY SCHEDULE MET WITH DISTINCTLY UNENTHUSIASTIC REAC-  
TION. EMBASSY BELIEVES IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE TO  
PRESS MATTER FURTHER IN VIEW OF SCOTTISH SENTIMENTS ABOUT

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SABBATH OBSERVANCE. BP PROBABLY WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND OR CO-HOST JUNE 30 DINNER SCHEDULED BY SCOTTISH OFFICE/HIGHLANDS AND ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT BOARD. MOTOR-COACH DRIVE FROM EDINBURGH CAN INCLUDE SHORT DETOUR VIA METHIL STEEL CONSTRUCTION SITE ON ROUTE TO ABERDEEN. ALTHOUGH CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY, SCOTTISH INFORMATION OFFICE ESCORT, DAVID KAY, CAN ANSWER QUERIES ABOUT SITE FROM OUTSIDE PREMISES.

JUNE 30:

CHARTER FLIGHT TO INVERNESS WOULD ONLY TAKE ABOUT 40 MINUTES VIA CRUDEN BAY. PLANE COULD NOT LAND AT PETERHEAD OR NIGG BAY. WE DO NOT INTEND TO PURSUE THIS POSSIBILITY FURTHER IN LIGHT OF COMMENTS MADE IN INITIAL PARAGRAPH. MOREOVER, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS IN INVERNESS ARE EXTREMELY TIGHT.

JULY 1:

CODEL HAS RESERVATIONS ABERDEEN/STAVANGER/LONDON AS STATED PARA 2 ABOVE. TRIP TO PETERHEAD WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO SEE LANDFALL OF BP PIPELINE AND ON-SHORE IMPACT OF SMALL PORT DEVELOPMENT.

JULY 2:

LUNCH COULD BE AT LOCKET'S RESTAURANT (ENGLISH COOKING) IN EVENT MINISTER OF STATE BRUCE MILLAN (SCOTTISH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OFFICE) DOES NOT HOST LIGHT BUFFET LUNCH.

4. CODEL SHOULD BE PREPARED TO HOST JUNE 28 WORKING LUNCH WITH SCOTTISH OFFICE OFFICIALS. BUFFET LUNCH AT NORTH BRITISH HOTEL COSTS POUNDS 3.50 PER PERSON. GIVEN SIZE OF GROUP, CODEL MAY ALSO BE EXPECTED TO PAY FOR DINNER ON JUNE 30.

5. PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILED INFORMATION ON FUNDS AUTHORIZATION ASAP.

6. NORWEGIAN EMBASSY IN LONDON INFORMS US IT IS ATTEMPTING TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR JULY 1 IN STAVANGER FOR CODEL. APPARENTLY NEITHER GON NOR US EMBASSY HAD BEEN REQUESTED TO DO SO. TENTATIVE PROGRAM IS TO VISIT

CONDEEP FACILITIES AFTERNOON OF JULY 1 AND HAVE WORKING  
BREAKFAST WITH NORWEGIAN OIL DIRECTORATE OFFICIALS  
MORNING OF JULY 2. RICHARDSON

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